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Dear Sir/Madam:

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This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 24, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and is proposing this Amendment to place the application in a condition for allowance. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 14, and 22 as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A measurement and marking device, comprising:
 - a housing;
- a positional sensing assembly mounted in the housing and adapted to sense a position of the housing relative to an object as the housing is moved along a surface of the object:
- a printhead assembly mounted in the housing and adapted to print on the surface of the object as the housing is moved along the surface of the object; and
- a controller mounted in the housing and communicating with the positional sensing assembly and the printhead assembly, wherein the controller is adapted to operate the printhead assembly to print a mark on the surface of the object based on the position of the housing relative to the object as the housing is moved along the surface of the object,

wherein the housing has a first side adapted to be oriented substantially parallel with the surface of the object as the housing is moved along the surface of the object and includes a first opening formed in the first side and a second opening formed in the first side,

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